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3. PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE

A. CONSTITUTION AND PURPOSE OF COMMITTEE

- (1) A Project Review Committee is established, consisting of the following:

Deputy Director	- Chairman
Deputy Director (Plans)	- Member
Deputy Director (Intelligence)	- Member
Deputy Director (Administration)	- Member
Assistant to Director	- Recording Secretary

- (a) A Member may designate a principal assistant to act for him as Committee member when appropriate, but no final action shall be taken on any program or project unless at least one Deputy Director is present.
- (2) The Project Review Committee will review and within limitations hereinafter set forth approve all programs and projects which:
- (a) Depart from any National Security Council policy or require issuance of a new policy by that Council;
- (b) Establish or change the Agency mission or policy;
- (c) May involve any change in
1. U. S. foreign policy or relations,
 2. Agency relations with Congress or any other component of the U. S. Government,
 3. Agency relations with political parties, labor organizations or domestic and/or foreign business organizations.
- (d) Have a potential for conflict between or duplication of the operations of components of the Agency.
- (e) Are of a research and development nature and involve contracts prior to execution.
- (f) Require deviations from and/or additions to detailed budget presentations;
- (g) Are described in the budget under broad authorizations without specific supporting project details;

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B. DEFINITIONS

(1) Program

A program is an outline of proposed action for the attainment of a general objective in furtherance of the Agency mission. It contains sufficient description of objectives, means, support requirements, and sensitivity, to permit its evaluation and approval as a charter for individual project planning.

(2) Project

A project is a detailed outline proposing a specific operational undertaking designed to assist in the accomplishment of a previously approved policy or program. It describes in detail the specific objectives, targets, the means to be employed, the support requirements, and appraises the sensitivity, risk and likelihood of success.

C. SUBMISSION OF PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

(1) All programs or projects falling within the categories listed in paragraph A(2), excepting those covered by C(2) ~~below~~, will be submitted to the Project Review Committee in accordance with Procedural Regulation [REDACTED]

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(2) Programs and projects prepared in conformity with Regulation [REDACTED] and falling in the categories in A-2(e) (f) (g) and not in conflict with Agency Notice Number [REDACTED] of 4 February 1952 may be given final approval if all inclusive financial requirements in the fiscal year are:

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(a) Not in excess of \$25,000 by Assistant Director for Policy Coordination or Assistant Director For Special Operations,

(b) Not in excess of \$5,000 by a Deputy Director.

Programs and projects so approved shall be forwarded to Recording Secretary of Project Review Committee for dissemination in accordance with Regulation [REDACTED], paragraph 5.

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D. COMMITTEE ACTION

(1) The Project Review Committee may, without referral to the Director of Central Intelligence,

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- (a) Approve or disapprove with exceptions, limitations, etc., when appropriate, any program or project if the all inclusive financial requirements are not in excess of \$100,000 and fall within the categories in A-2(e) (f) (g).
- (b) Return to sponsoring office for modification and resubmission.
- (2) The Project Review Committee will recommend to the Director approval or disapproval with exceptions and limitations, when appropriate, all other programs and projects.

E. SIGNIFICANCE OF APPROVAL OF A PROGRAM OR PROJECT

Approval of a program by appropriate authority is not only an endorsement of the proposals contained therein, but constitutes a directive to Office staffs to carry out detailed project planning.

- (a) Program approval does not constitute approval to use funds for exploratory purposes in the development of proposed projects unless this is specifically provided in the program approval.
- (b) Program approval is not approval to obligate and expend funds in the implementation of the proposed program unless this is specifically set forth at the time of program approval.
- (c) Approval of a project by appropriate authority constitutes approval to obligate and expend allocated funds for the implementation of the project concerned and is a directive to carry out the detailed activity specified in the approved project plan.

F. COMMITMENTS UNDER PROGRAMS OR PROJECTS

No official of CIA will make any commitment either legal or moral (to any outside person or organization or Agency) in connection with a proposed program or project until such program or project has been finally approved by the appropriate authority.

G. EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS

- (1) All financial arrangements involving transfers and expenditure of funds shall be made by the Deputy Director (Administration), the Comptroller or his authorized representative.

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- (2) Funds may be expended only in connection with the specific program or project for which they have been approved.
- (3) In the event that "targets of opportunity" appear and that the time element involved in reaching the target precludes the normal project procedure, covert station chiefs may expend up to \$25,000 from station funds for each such target. Stations having Senior Representatives shall secure his approval prior to obligation or expenditure of station funds.

The expenditure of station funds for "targets of opportunity" shall be justified post facto by the preparation of a project, in the usual manner for the approval of the appropriate authority

Station funds will be reimbursed after the submission of projects or programs.

CONCURRENCES:

Deputy Director (Plans)

Deputy Director (Intelligence)

Deputy Director (Administration)